

Joint Nursing Facility/ Mental Health Treatment Guidelines

- Service provision is conducted jointly by nursing facility and mental health provider
- Decisions to admit are based on clear understanding of clients treatment needs and assurance by both the nursing facility and mental health provider that they are able and willing to meet those needs
- There is a clear understanding of roles and responsibilities of each provider
- There is a clear understanding regarding the difference between Mental Health Specialized Services and Nursing Facility Specialized Rehabilitation services
- Initial nursing facility based treatment is based on Level II requirements
- Evaluation of treatment/service effectiveness is conducted on a regular basis based on the individual client need not on a facility case review schedule
- Transition readiness is assessed and treated consistently throughout nursing facility placement
- There is an increased level of accountability for joint service provision and service effectiveness
- Focus by the Department on treatment/Service effectiveness
- Clinical auditing will be conducted